

Karnes Electric Cooperative 2026 Scholarship Application

Scholarship Details:

The number of scholarships awarded will be based on funds available. The Board of Directors will determine the amount of funding and funds will not be renewable. For the year 2026, twenty (20) \$3,500.00 scholarships will be awarded and (1) \$15,000 Line worker scholarship. Twenty Four (24) of the \$3,500.00 scholarships will be awarded to students attending a 4-year university. Six (6) of the \$3,500.00 scholarships will be awarded for students attending a qualifying vocational college. The recipients will be selected by the KEC Scholarship Committee.

Eligibility and Guidelines:

1. Applicant must be a graduating high school student who is a legal dependent of an active member whose residence is receiving electric service from Karnes Electric Cooperative. Applicants applying under accounts listed as Organization, Corporation or Partnership will be ineligible.
2. The Lineworker Scholarship will be awarded to one recipient. One (1) \$15,000 award will be **distributed upon completion** of Lineman's College.
3. Applicant must be of good character as evidenced by at least one letter from a teacher, principal, or counselor, etc., from the school they are currently attending. Letters of recommendation from employment supervisors, community or civic leaders are also acceptable. Letters of recommendation from a family member will not be accepted (ex. Parent, sibling, etc.)
4. The applicant's transcript must be a certified copy from the last school attended and must also include grades from the fall semester of the applicant's final year. For home-schooled applicants, the home-school parent/teacher must certify grades. SAT/ACT scores should be submitted if available.
5. Completed applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2026.
6. Scholarship awards will not be limited to Texas schools only. Payment of awards will be disbursed by check to the college, technical school, or post secondary education on behalf of the student being awarded to be used at their discretion towards their education.
7. Applicants being awarded scholarships must provide evidence of enrollment with a minimum of 12 hours and be considered by the registrar to be a full-time student.
8. Applicants being awarded scholarships must provide Karnes Electric with enrollment verification no later than August 7, 2026. If not received in our office by this deadline, said scholarship will be forfeited and will be awarded to the first eligible alternate.

To be complete, this Application must be accompanied by:

1. An official transcript from the school the Applicant most recently attended which has the stamped raised seal of the school counselor. If the Applicant is home-schooled, the parent/teacher must certify the transcript.
2. SAT/ACT scores (if available)
3. One Letter of recommendation
4. Senior Portrait (School photo preferred)

All Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on March 6, 2026

Mail: Karnes Electric Cooperative, Attn: Scholarship Committee, PO Box 7, Karnes City, TX 78118-0007

Email: Scholarships@karnesec.org

In Person: Pleasanton Member Service Center or Karnes City Headquarters

Online: www.karnesec.org/community/scholarship-program

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Please print your information clearly and complete all required fields.

SECTION 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

DOB: _____ Primary Phone: _____ Email: _____

Do you presently live with your parent(s) or guardian(s)? Yes No If no, please explain: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

I hereby acknowledge that the applicant sections of this application were completed by me and I agree to permit the review of this Application and my school records by anyone representing Karnes Electric Cooperative, Inc.

SECTION 2: VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

Mother/Guardian's Name: _____ Mother/Guardian's Occupation: _____

Father/Guardian's Name: _____ Father/Guardian's Occupation: _____

Name on KEC Account: _____ Account Number: _____

Address on KEC Account: _____

Number of Dependent Children in the Family (including Applicant): _____ How many other family members are currently in college? _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

I understand that my child is applying for a \$2,500.00 scholarship sponsored by Karnes Electric Cooperative, Inc. (KEC). I further acknowledge that I am an active member receiving electric service from KEC and the applicant is my legal dependent. If my child is selected, I authorize Karnes Electric Cooperative to use my child's picture in various publications.

SECTION 3: EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

High School: _____ Class Ranking: _____ GPA: _____

Which College or University do you plan to attend? _____

Have you applied for admission? Yes No Estimated College Expenses for 1 year: _____

What is your field of study? _____

Have you received or will you be receiving any other scholarships? Yes No If so, how much? _____

Which KEC Scholarship program are you applying for? 4 -Year University Application Vocational College Application

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SECTION 4: WORK EXPERIENCE

Name of Employer:

Type of Work:

Length of Service:

1.

2.

3.

SECTION 5: APPLICANT HONORS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

If submitting additional document(s) for the following sections please indicate by writing "see attached".

List school related clubs, activities, achievements.

List academic honors received in High School.

List community service, activities, achievements.

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SECTION 6: ESSAY QUESTIONS

In a few words, tell us what you know about Karnes Electric Cooperative, Inc.

In approximately 200 words, explain how growing up in a rural area has influenced your perspective on education, community, and opportunity.